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Richard A. Mc Coy/Consul

July 18, 1978

Daniel P. Weber/Vice Consul

Call concerning People's Temple

SMITH, OLLIE

On Friday June 23 at approximately 5.00 p.m., I received a telephone call from [redacted] was calling concerning her daughter, Mrs. Ollie Smith, a member of the People's Temple.

According to [redacted] a frequent visitor at People's Temple Headquarters, told her that Mrs. Ollie Smith had been shot and killed trying to escape from Jonestown.

[redacted] said she thought the shooting had occured on June 20 or 21. On the evening of June 27 [redacted] talked to someone who claimed to be her daughter. However the reception was poor and [redacted] admitted that her emotional state was such that she could not be sure that the person speaking was in fact her daughter.

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Ollie Smith was born on November 6, 1959 and is married to another member of People's Temple [redacted] stated that her mother is also at Jonestown and that both her relatives had left the United States after being "brainwashed" by Reverend Jim Jones.

[redacted] requested that, the Embassy help her daughter, if she was still alive, to leave Guyana.

I replied that I had heard nothing about any shooting at Jonestown but that if any developments occured I would keep her informed.

[redacted] phone number is [redacted]

DEPARTMENT OF STATE A/CDC/MR
REVIEWED BY [redacted] DATE 3/2/81
PORTIONS DENIED AS INDICATED

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